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TO : Chief, FBIS

FROM : Chief, German Bureau, FBIS

SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report -- July 1964

DATE: 10 August 1964

I. GENERAL

Excavation was started across the street from the bureau for a 13-story office building to house U.S. Army components. The bureau chief consulted the Frankfurt Post Engineer, Major R. D. Green, concerning this and was advised that the building is to be used by the U.S. Army Procurement Center, a strictly administrative organization which uses no transmitting or other electronic-type equipment which might interfere with radio reception at the bureau. It appears, however, that the line of direction of the bureau's antenna system for East Berlin FM and TV reception will just narrowly miss the corner of the new structure. The building is expected to be completed no later than the summer of 1967.

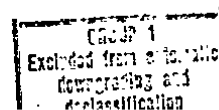
II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial

1. Average daily hours of broadcasts monitored reached a new high of 15 hours.
2. A check of the new morning programs of the three GDR regional stations monitored at the bureau was completed and slightly expanded portions of their daily weekday schedule were put on bureau coverage. It is possible, as indicated by recent spot checks, that a fourth regional station, Schwerin, could also be monitored but, as this would have to be done at the same time the other three (all on FM) are being taken, the bureau would require an additional 904-1 receiver to accommodate the added program.
3. In answering request for information concerning Rostock radio transmissions as reported in an ADN dispatch, the bureau called upon the Central Office for Telecommunications Technology (FTZ) of the Federal Ministry of Postal Affairs and Telecommunications in Darmstadt for assistance. A full report was subsequently received from FTZ and the required information was reported

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4. Thirty still pictures of an East Berlin television film report on the Czechoslovak People's Army and joint Czech-GDR maneuvers were sent to the Liaison and Requirements Staff.

B. Communications

A new target date of 23 August for final installation of the new London-Frankfurt duplex circuit was received in a confidential wire message from DCA/Europe. Earlier in the month, authorization for leasing the Bundespost line from the Bureau to Siegelbach was sent to the Army Communications Agency in Heidelberg.

C. Technical

Two of the three R-390A/URR receivers sent from headquarters were installed during the month, replacing old Collins receivers. A Hammerlund receiver, obtained from London Bureau, was also installed during the month.

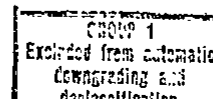
D. Lateral Services

1. With the prompt cooperation of the London Bureau wire room, an urgent request from the office of U.S. Ambassador to West Germany McGhee for the text of the 23 July De Gaulle press conference was fulfilled.
2. The number of copies of the bureau's WEEKLY REPORT ON THE EAST GERMAN PRESS distributed to DIA, Attention DIAAQ-3 was increased from 1 to 38, on request received through the Liaison and Requirements Staff.

III. ADMINISTRATION

- A. Teletype operator [] was promoted to FSL 6-1 effective 5 July. 50X1
- B. Teletype operator [] went on maternity leave effective 20 July. She will return to duty on or about 1 October. 50X1

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IV. VISITORS

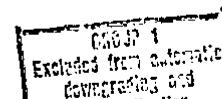
[redacted], on TDY enroute from Tokyo Bureau to headquarters, visited the bureau 21 to 24 July and was briefed on bureau operations. As part of the visit, [redacted] was given a tour of 50X1 the Darmstadt operations site of the Central Office for Telecommunications Technology and was introduced to officials there who have been responsible for valuable past assistance to FBIS in conducting reception surveys and other checks on station behavior.

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1. Monthly Classified Personnel Report
2. Monthly Foreign Personnel Report
3. Operations Attachment
4. Equipment Attachment

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Attachment # 3

OPERATIONS ATTACHMENT

- A. Total weekly hours of broadcasts monitored 75.
- B. Additional, unscheduled monitoring during the month 15 hours.
- C. The bureau filed a total of 243,850 words to headquarters, of which 18,050 were nonpublishable.
- D. Austrian Bureau outbound traffic totaling 285,800 words was relayed by the German Bureau.
- E. The bureau filed or relayed 188,070 words of FBIS material
- F. Unauthorized outages on the Frankfurt-London direct line totaled 103 hours 12 min.
- G. The WEEKLY REPORT ON THE EAST GERMAN PRESS total wordage was 105,350.
- H. As part of RPB's coding project for selected communist publications, 3 code cards were mailed to headquarters.
- I. Still picture coverage of GDR television produced 30 pictures all of which dealt with the Czechoslovak People's Army and joint Czech-GDR maneuvers.

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EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENT

A. Radio:

1. Receiver, radio, Hammarlund SP 600 JL-24, Serial No. 15270, one each. (Received from London on 20 July)
2. UG970/U Connectors, 3 each. (From Washington received on 16 July)

B. Teletype:

1. Distortion Measuring Set, Model DMS 1A-1, Serial No. 667, one each. (Received from Washington 23 July)
2. Gear 164337, 2 each, and gear 164338, 2 each. (From Washington, received 13 July)